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Subject: **RE: Directed Comments** Date: 01/03/2011 11:07 AM

Great, thanks

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From: Humphrey.Chip@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Humphrey.Chip@epamail.epa.gov] Sent: Monday, January 03, 2011 9:08 AM To: ANDERSON Jim M

Subject: Re: Directed Comments

The LWG requested an extension on December 16th of the dispute deadline for 3 items - the CSM (linking upland sources with in-water contaminants), the revised data lockdown date for the RI, and PBDEs. We approved an extension to January 12th. We also granted an extension to January 12th of the deadline for disputes related to EPA's directive comments on the benthic risk evaluation. That extension was to allow some additional time for Jay Field to correct a calculation error in the LRM model. Jay's corrected version was completed and sent to John Toll on the 17th. I'll check to see if it was sent to out to others on our team & forward if not team & forward if not.

The LWG also requested a 30 day extension of time to invoke dispute related to our December 21st letter on the FS. The requested extension would have pushed the deadline to February 3rd. We didn't think a 30 day extension was warranted, and instead granted a two week extension to January 18th.

I think that's all of the "holiday" extensions that were approved.

Chip

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Jim and Bob:

EPA has reviewed the LWG's request for an additional 20 days, until January 12, 2011, as the deadline for the LWG to invoke dispute resolution on EPA's December 8, 2010 directive comments regarding the conceptual site model, the data lockdown date, and the inclusion of PBDI fish tissue data in the BHHRA. EPA approves the LWG's request for an additional 20 days, to January 12, 2011 to invoke dispute resolution on these directed comments.

EPA also believes it is appropriate to address a schedule issue related to the Benthic Risk Evaluation. The current deadline for the LWG to invoke dispute invoke dispute resolution on EPA's directive comments on the Benthic Risk Evaluation is December 17, 2010. We have been advised that Windward identified a minor calculation error in the positive likelihood values for the LRM individual models, which resulted from a rounding problem in the code. Because the positive likelihood values were used to rank the models in the selection process, Jay Field (NOAA) will need to update the tables and all data pmax values. It is our understanding that the differences are minor, and that the reliability stats are essentially the same. Jay anticipates having the corrected tables by the end of this week. EPA is therefore extending the December 17, 2010 deadline to invoke dispute resolution to January 12, 2011 resolution to January 12, 2011.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Chip

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From "ANDERSON Jim M" <ANDERSON.Jim@deq.state.or.us>

To: Chip Humphrey/R10/USEPA/US@EPA

Chip,

I need to give a brief status rpt on PH later this week & have a question re: EPA's directed comments on the RI/BRA. I understood the LWG had until 12/17 to dispute EPA's direction. I hadn't heard that LWG invoked dispute, so am I correct to understand that the LWG will act on all EPA's directed comments? Are all the issues resolved re: the benthic assessment, & LWG is moving forward using both models, bioassays & SQGs (PEC quotient)?

Give me a call if you'd like. Thanks!

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